

M.Sc. 4th Semester Examination, 2010

ELECTRONICS

(Microwave Devices and Circuits)

PAPER — EL-2201

(Theory)

Full Marks : 40

Time : 2 hours

Answer **Q.No.1** and any three from the rest

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks

Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary

1. Answer any *five* questions : 2×5

(a) Explain the action of magnetic field used in the cavity magnetron.

(b) Write down the difference between the transferred electron devices and avalanche transistor devices.

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- (c) How can a 4 port directional coupler be utilized to measure the VSWR of a given load ?
- (d) Prove that three ports of a loss-less passive Tee-junction, when reciprocal in nature, can not be matched simultaneously.
- (e) What are the dominant modes of a circular cavity resonator? State the advantages of TE_{01} mode over TE_{11} mode over TE_{11} mode of a circular cavity resonator.
- (f) Why ferrite devices are called non-reciprocal devices ?
2. (a) A helix travelling wave tube is operated with a beam current of 300 mA, beam voltage of 5 kV, and characteristic impedance of 20Ω . What length of the helix will be selected to give an output power gain of 50 dB at 10 GHz? 5
- (b) Draw the equivalent circuit of IMPATT diode. An IMPATT diode with nominal frequency of 10 GHz, has an R_g of -3Ω , RF peak current of 0.65 A and with breakdown bias of 80 V, 80 mA. Find the power gain in dB. 2 + 3

3. (a) What is a slow-wave structure? What is the major difference between the travelling wave tube and the klystron? 3
- (b) Draw a schematic diagram of a helix TWT and explain its principle of operation. 7
4. (a) How a slot line differs from a microstrip line? 2
- (b) Discuss the role of dielectric in the design of microstrip. Derive Q of a microstrip line. 2 + 2
- (c) In a microstrip line, duroid ($\epsilon_r = 2.56$) is used as a substrate material and if the line has an attenuation of 20 dB and $Q = 10$, calculate the operating frequency of the line. 4
5. (a) Draw the schematic diagram of a GaAs MESFET and its small signal equivalent circuit. State the intrinsic and extrinsic elements of a MESFET.

(b) A GaAs MESFET has the following parameters :

$$R_G = 6 \Omega, R_i = 2 \Omega, g_m = 60 \text{ m mho},$$

$$R_d = 400 \Omega, R_s = 2 \Omega, C_{gs} = 0.5 \text{ pF}$$

Determine :

(i) the cut-off frequency and

(ii) the maximum operating frequency.

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6. (a) Discuss the physical structure and the principle of operation of a Quantum Well Injection Transit Time (QWITT) diode. 2 + 3

(b) What are the advantages of Microwave Integrated Circuits (MICs) over discrete circuits? State the basic properties required for an ideal (i) substrate material and (ii) conductor material used in MICs. 2 + 3